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Memo to File

Re: Federow Iron & Metal Company - Oil in Ditch.

On Thursday August 18, 1988 I received A Complaint About the oil in the ditch behind Federow Iron. Fire Marshal Hosea Lawrence thought there might be A chance of the waste oil entering A sanitary Sewer manhole behind Federow.

Karen & I checked out the situation and found more oil present than when we inspected the problem with Judith Dill, MO. Dept. of Natural Resources. It appears that the storm sewer intake is blocked with dirt. This is preventing the oil from entering Jordan Creek. It appeared that some of the oil might enter the sanitary sewer during A heavy rain through the pick hole. But not too likely.

After returning to the office I contacted Mr. Chuck Kroeger, M.D.N.R., about the problem. Chuck was under the impression that Federow was already working on the problem. He said he would refer it to Judy Dill since she had originally investigated the problem. I told Chuck that after the problem was cleaning up, we would see about having the storm ditch cleaned out.

- Gene Pabst

1661 E. TRAFFICway

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June 16, 1988

Mr. Harry Federow
Federow Iron & Metal Company
1661 East Trafficway
Springfield, Missouri 65802

Dear Mr. Federow:

On June 8, 1988, Judith Dill of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Springfield Regional Office, investigated a complaint concerning waste oil in the ditch north of the Federow Iron and Metal facility on Trafficway in Springfield, Missouri.

The building containing the press is on the north side of the property. The floor of the building was covered with one inch of sawdust which had absorbed oil. Of the three drums of new RANCO OIL, one had oil standing on top of it and a puddle of oil next to it on the sawdust. From the north side of this building to the fence approximately fifteen feet away, the ground was stained black. On the other side of the fence were two puddles of black oil about one foot in diameter. The ground was stained in a path from the fence, along the railroad track and into the ditch between two railroad tracks. Two small patches of oil were in the tracks. Several areas of the ditch had pools of oil. The oil stain in the ditch is approximately 30 yards long and eight feet across and is directly behind Federows. The path of oil stain indicates that the discharge is from the press building.

Please find enclosed 10 CSR 25-11.010 which are state regulations governing waste oil and a blank waste oil generation form. Section (1), paragraph (D) states that "waste oil shall not be disposed of into the environment..."

Any facility which reclaims or reuses waste oil for energy or materials recovery shall be a certified resource recovery facility. This includes off-site facilities that receive waste oil from generators. A person who generates 100 kg or more of waste oil (approximately half of a 55-gallon drum) or ever accumulates that amount at one time must file a registration form with the Department before shipping to an approved facility. Generators can use only transporters licensed by the Department and must have and keep a written contract with the waste oil transporter.

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At the time of the investigation, you indicated that about once a year ten drums of waste oil are sold to Hugh Dennis Oil. Since ten drums of waste oil are accumulated before shipment, Federow Iron and Metal must register as a waste oil generator using the attached blank form. The only licensed transporter in this area is Southwest Radium Oil in Carthage.

RSMo 644.051 is a state law which says that contaminants cannot be discharged into waters of the state without a permit. The investigation revealed that this law is also being violated because a storm sewer is on the west end of the ditch which drains into Jordan Creek and the waste oil in the ditch is in a position to contaminate the creek.

Within 30 days of the date of this letter, Federow Iron and Metal should respond to this office about what steps will be taken to address this situation. If you need any assistance, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

SPRINGFIELD REGIONAL OFFICE

Judith Dill

Judith Dill
Environmental Specialist

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cc: Mr. Gene Pabst, Springfield Sanitation
Waste Management Program

To Bob
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Harry Federow